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The Snively Medal Awards

The President of the Canadian Nurses Association is pleased to announce the award of the Mary Agnes Snively medals for the year 1938. In accord with the decision of the General Meeting in 1934 they are given once in each biennium in honour of and as a memorial to the Founder of the Association, Mary Agnes Snively to "nurses whose work exemplifies her ideals of nursing and service." From the nominations of the Provincial Associations the following have been chosen:

Jean E. Browne, National Director, Junior Red Cross Society; Jean S. Wilson, Executive Secretary, Canadian Nurses Association; Elizabeth L. Smellie, Chief Superintendent, Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada.

There will be general satisfaction at the choice of these well known women who have contributed so generously of their time and talent to the development of nursing. On them is conferred the highest honour within the gift of the Association and that at the direct choice of their fellow members, a fact which will undoubtedly add to their pleasure in acceptance.

Presentation of the medals will be made at a special evening session of the Biennial Convention in Halifax, Nova Scotia, on July eighth at which the recipients will be present to receive the award in person. A resumé of Miss Snively's life and work will form a part of the ceremony, that her memory may be cherished and may endure as a source of inspiration to the profession she loved and served.

Jean Elizabeth Browne, nurse, organizer, and journalist, was born of English and Highland Scottish parents, at Parkhill, Ontario, where she received her early education. She later attended the Toronto Normal School, and on graduation, engaged in teaching for a period of three years. After this brief experience in teaching, which was to prove so valuable in later years, Miss Browne entered upon a course of training at the Toronto General Hospital,

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where she was graduated in 1910. After a further experience as nurse-in-charge of the out-patients department of the Toronto General Hospital, Miss Browne left Toronto in 1911, to organize a Department of School Nursing in Regina, and remained as its director for six years, when she was invited to extend her activities for public health by organizing a School Hygiene Branch of the Department of Education in the Province of Saskatchewan. She remained as the director of this Department for five years, when, in 1922, the Canadian Red Cross Society claimed her for national service.

Miss Browne organized the National Office of the Canadian Junior Red Cross and became its National Director, as well as editor of the *Canadian Red Cross Junior*. These positions she still holds, and of Miss Brown and this piece of work, the *Toronto Mail and Empire* had this to say:

> The Society was fortunate enough to discover, after prolonged search, the ideal person to direct the new movement in the person of Miss Browne, who had previously been engaged in school health work in Saskatchewan. So great has been her success in promoting the movement that she is now an international figure, for her name is well known wherever the Red Cross flag flies.

In spite of the fact that Miss Browne has always been engaged in organizing and developing such important new pieces of work, she has extended her interests and energies to the work of her profession of nursing. In 1917, she was prominent in the organization of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association, and was its first president, which office she held until 1919, and again in 1921. From 1922 to 1926 she was president of the Canadian Nurses Association and was its president at the time of the erection and dedication of the Nurses National Memorial to the Nursing Sisters who gave up their lives during the Great War.

For seven years, Miss Browne was a valued member, and secretary, of the Joint Study Committee; from 1934 to 1938 she acted as convener of the Legislation Committee and from 1930 to 1938 as convener of the Exchange of Nurses Committee. As an active member of the Publications Committee and the Committee on Dominion Registration for Nurses, Miss Browne has made outstanding contributions to the nursing profession. Locally, Miss Browne held the office of president of the Toronto General Hospital Alumnae Association for two years, and that of president of the Community Health Association of Greater Toronto for a similar period.

In international affairs in nursing and public health, Miss Brown is almost as well known as at home. In 1920 to 1921, she took post-graduate work in the "International Red Cross for Public Health Nurses" in London, England. In 1925 she spent four months on a Junior Red Cross mission in Europe, on the invitation of the League of Red Cross Societies, when she visited England, France, Belgium, Czechoslovakia and Austria—at this time, she attended a Central European Red Cross Conference in Vienna.

While in Europe, in 1925, Miss Browne also represented the Canadian Nurses Association at the International Congress of Nurses held in Helsingfors. In 1929, on the invitation of Bedford College, London, England, Miss Browne gave a course of lectures on methods in health education at the Summer School Course for "Old Internationals". In 1929, she represented the Canadian Junior Red Cross at their International Conference in Geneva—a conference of National Directors of Junior Red Cross, a meeting of the International Society for Crippled Children, and the Health Section of the World Federation of Education Associations. Again, for Canada, in 1930, she attended the British Empire Red Cross Conference in London, England, when she addressed a meeting in St. James Palace on "The Red Cross and Education", and, along with other delegates, was received by Her Majesty, Queen Mary at Buckingham Palace.

This record of achievement speaks for itself—but what of the woman herself? Those who know Miss Browne most intimately would be apt to say that the factors which have had the most influence on her work are her ability to think clearly and honestly, and to express her ideas with equal clarity and fearlessness; to become her own most severe critic; to keep herself an example of physical fitness, and to give generously of her talents to promote health, education and good citizenship, as well as the status of the nursing profession and its service to the public.

In honouring Miss Browne by awarding her the Snively Memorial Medal, the Canadian Nurses Association is honouring itself as well as its Founder.

Jean Scantlion Wilson

Jean Scantlion Wilson, a Canadian of pioneer stock, matriculated at McGill University from the high school in Shawville, P. Q., but did not enter the University immediately, having decided that nursing was to be her vocation. In 1906, she undertook a course of train-

Jean S. Wilson

ing as a nurse in the Lady Stanley Institute, Ottawa. It was not until 1921 that Miss Wilson entered the School for Graduate Nurses in McGill University, when, on a scholarship awarded by the Canadian Nurses Association, she obtained a certificate in administration in schools of nursing. The first part of Miss Wilson's professional career was spent in hospital work, the first post being that of assistant superintendent and chief surgical nurse in the Vernon Jubilee Hospital, Vernon, B. C., which positions she held from 1909 to 1911. In 1913, Miss Wilson went to the Moose Jaw General Hospital as assistant superintendent and operating room supervisor, where later she became the superintendent of the Hospital.

Miss Wilson has always shown a keen interest in all organized effort to improve the education and status of nurses. She was a charter member of the Graduate Nurses Association of Moose Jaw and the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association, and was the secretary, treasurer and registrar of the latter Association from 1917 to 1920. While a member of the Council of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association, Miss Wilson served as a councillor on the Executive Committee of the Canadian Nurses Association, becoming its secretary-treasurer in 1921. Having shown marked ability in financing the affairs of the Association while honorary secretary-treasurer, Miss Wilson was the most natural choice of the Association for the important position of Executive Secretary when the Canadian Nurses Association established a National Office in 1923. In addition to the exacting nature of the work of organizing such an office, Miss Wilson assumed the duties of acting editor and business manager of *The Canadian Nurse* from 1924 to 1932. It is due to Miss Wilson's splendid management of the financial affairs of the Association that the treasury is in such a satisfactory condition. There are many qualities essential to the successful administration of a national professional organization, and Miss Wilson seems to possess most of these qualities. She has a keen appreciation of the aims of her Association and the office she occupies—her promptness and accuracy in the despatch of business, and her willing co-operation, are largely responsible for the unusual degree of harmony which exists between the Provincial Offices and the National Office. This splendid piece of work has been carried out by Miss Wilson with a degree of modesty that is admired by all. The nurses of Canada will find great pleasure in this opportunity to acknowledge the valuable services of an associate by the awarding of the Snively Memorial Medal to Miss Wilson.

Elizabeth Lawrie Smellie

In deciding to honour Miss Elizabeth Lawrie Smellie by awarding to her the Mary Agnes Snively Memorial Medal, the Canadian Nurses Association has chosen a member who has made a great contribution to the prestige of Canadian nurses and nursing. Miss Smellie was born in Port Arthur, Ontario, a daughter of the late Dr. Thomas S. T. Smellie, one of the pioneer doctors in Northern Ontario. Her early education was received in the schools in Port Arthur and St. Margaret's College, Toronto. Miss Smellie's professional education was received at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, from which School for Nurses she graduated in 1909. In 1920, following her return from active service overseas during the Great War, she entered Simmons College, Boston, for a post-graduate course in public health

nursing. The Rockefeller Foundation in 1932, awarded to Miss Smellie a fellowship which enabled her to make a special study of maternal welfare in several of the countries of Europe.

Following graduation, Miss Smellie was appointed night supervisor of the McKellar Hospital, in Fort William. In 1914, very shortly after the beginning of the Great War, she joined the Canadian Army Medical Corps as a Nursing Sister for overseas service. Her ability in organization and administration was very soon realized and she served as a Matron in the Canadian Army Medical Corps until 1918, when she returned to Ottawa in the position of Assistant to the Matron-in-chief, which position she held until 1920. Miss Smellie's military service was most outstanding; she was mentioned in despatches in 1916, and in 1917 was awarded the Royal Red Cross, First Class. Miss Smellie has always been keenly interested in all matters connected with the nurses who served overseas, and at the present time is president of the Ottawa Unit of the Overseas Nursing Sisters Association.

After Miss Smellie was no longer needed for military service, and after completing a post-graduate course in Simmons College, she was appointed assistant to the director of the school for Graduate Nurses of McGill University, and later became part-time supervisor of the Greater Montreal Branch of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada. In January, 1924, Miss Smellie was appointed Chief Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, which position she still holds.

In nursing organization work, Miss Smellie has made an outstanding contribution. She is a life member of the Alumnae Association of the School for Nurses, Johns Hopkins Hospital, a

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member of the Alumnae Association of Simmons College, and a very active member of the Canadian Nurses Association. Miss Smellie served as chairman of the public health section of the Canadian Nurses Association for four years and has also served on many important committees. As chairman of the Nurses Section of the Canadian Public Health Association for three years, and as vice-chairman of the Nurses Section of the American Public Health Association for three years, Miss Smellie has made a definite contribution in linking up the activities of the Canadian Nurses Association with the official public health associations. In international nursing affairs, Miss Smellie has contributed articles to nursing magazines and papers to the programmes of the Congresses of

the International Council of Nurses. She is a member of the programme committee for the International Congress which is being planned for 1941.

As Chief Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, Miss Smellie has had a large share in the development of visiting nursing service. Her work has touched Canada from coast to coast, and the result of her efforts and influence is felt in many districts. The nurses in the local branches of the Victorian Order of Nurses have been encouraged by Miss Smellie to take an active part in the local nursing organizations and she has, with the assistance of the nurses serving in the Victorian Order of Nurses, elevated the standard of service given, not only in the better preparation of the nursing personnel, but also in the nursing service given to the public. The interest of lay people in the nursing problems and nursing service has been encouraged and fostered, and it is to this policy that the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada attributes its rapid development and increasing public support.

While Canadian nurses have always realized and appreciated the national scope and the national importance of Miss Smellie's work, it was with great pride and satisfaction that they learned of the honour conferred on her by His Majesty, King George V, when in 1934 her name was included among those who were honoured by being made a Companion of the Order of the British Empire.

Even a brief outline of Miss Smellie's professional work cannot be concluded without including a reference to those qualities which have contributed to her success. Her imagination and vision enable her to take a long view, and to wait patiently for the much desired progress. She also possesses the ability to allocate important work to the members of her staff and to leave with them the responsibility for development. Perhaps the quality that brings all into a harmonious whole is her unfailing sense of humour.

The official announcement of the Saively Medal Awards is made by the President of the Canadian Nurses Association. The biographical sketches of Miss Browne and of Miss Wilson were prepared by Miss E. MacPherson Dickson, and that of Miss Smellie by Miss Jean I. Gunn—EDITOR.

MISS HERSEY'S NEW HONOUR

Announcement has been made by the authorities of McGill University that the honorary degree of Doctor of Laws (LL.D.) will be conferred upon Miss Mabel F. Hersey at Convocation. Unfortunately the June *Journal* must be in the press before this happy occasion takes place and we are therefore obliged to postpone more extended comment until our July issue. In the meantime this good news will gladden the hearts of nurses all over Canada. It is extremely significant that this great University should confer so high an honour upon a member of the nursing profession, and we are indeed fortunate that the recipient is a woman who, by virtue of her sterling character as well as her distinguished professional career, so richly deserves it.

The University School of Nursing

FLORENCE H. M. EMORY

The article was presented, in the form of an address, before the International Council of Nurses, in July, 1937. Its publication seems timely in that the potential value of University Schools of Nursing will be discussed at the forthcoming Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association. —Editor.

A consideration of developments during the present century, however superficial, offers conclusive evidence of unprecedented growth, both cultural and scientific, in many fields and in most countries. Moreover, a detailed study of these changes in general, and of education in particular, reveals a comparatively new relationship regarding one phase of education, namely, that which has been established between certain institutions of higher learning and nursing education. Established for the most part to give some form of special preparation to nurses who had already graduated from a recognized hospital school of nursing, the movement has spread until, connected with universities in a number of countries, are to be found schools which are attempting to find a new and a better way of preparing young women for the diversity of work which, as nurses, they may be called upon to undertake. This they have essayed to do through offering basic preparation for nursing, whether upon graduation it be undertaken within the hospital walls or in the community at large.

One of the requirements of any project of worth is that it should survive the acid test of close scrutiny and of critical analysis. In the light of this, what are the arguments in favour of nursing education carried on under university auspices and what are the arguments against it? Mature thought will concede that stated succinctly the function of a university is at least two-fold: to make available existing knowledge and to search for new knowledge. Further it will be conceded that, given a university centre with a good medical school, this function may not only be fulfilled in its relation to nursing, but that nursing has a claim upon the use of such facilities. During the last fifty years, through the scientific research and study, a tremendous body of new medical knowledge has been released, both curative and preventive; knowledge, some aspects of which, in the practice of her art, the nurse must bring to bear upon the care of the patient if medicine and nursing together are to achieve the best results. It is logical to suppose then, that in the process of her preparation the nurse might well be exposed to teaching which can best come from a centre with a recognized medical school. The value of the contribution of the medical school remains constant regardless of the branch of nursing to which it may be applied. Whether to post-graduate work undertaken in preparation for teaching, supervisory or administrative posts in hospitals or to public health nursing for which training is given, whether for sick nursing or for health nursing, the medical school with its curative and preventive teaching has a contribution which may be

claimed justly by those charged with responsibility for nursing education.

Further, an inherent quality in university life which will work to the advantage of nursing education is its atmosphere—its cultural qualities which tend to the making not only of a good nurse but of a sane, well-poised, tolerant individual. Who can estimate the value of the intermingling in thought of the young student nurse with even one or two cultivated master minds? Experience has shown ample proof of the results of such contact—of the exposure to that which at once challenges and inspires. The picture would be quite incomplete were reference omitted to certain administrative advantages in the affiliation of a nursing school with the university; the value for instance of the advice and general services of administrative offices and officers which are given as the result of experience accumulated over the years. There is, too, a certain protection afforded through affiliation with an institution of university status, in that strength is derived for the maintenance of desirable standards of qualification and of work for staff and students alike.

A discussion of the pros and cons of university relationship would be incomplete without mention of one or two possible disadvantages. There is often a tendency to lose sight of the primary purpose of university connection and so befog the issue by substituting purposes of secondary importance. I submit that the major purpose of university affiliation in nursing education is to glean from the teaching departments of such an institution that which will contribute to the making of a strong nurse. All other advantages are not only of secondary importance but their emphasis is likely to result in confused thought on the part of nurses themselves, and what is of utmost importance in the minds of the public at large. It is of urgent import that the public served by the product should understand the position clearly; the need is not for more education of nurses, but for a better selection and arrangement of that which enters into the making of a nurse. In so far as the university can offer a suitable selection and arrangement of content, with freedom in the teaching of it, and an environment conducive to growth, so far are we justified in claiming university facilities and relationships to be either desirable or necessary in nursing education.

To be specific we take, as example, the teaching of two of the basic sciences, biology and physiology. If the nurse is to gain an intelligent understanding of her patient and of the reason for certain nursing procedures used on his behalf she must be subjected to a clear presentation of the science of living things and of the science of the functions of the individual in health and disease. Moreover it is reasonable to suppose that from departments at university level the content will be both sound and appropriate. It is of distinct advantage therefore, to secure this teaching from the university, so long as the entire preparation is not conditioned by necessity for conformance to university standards of degree work. If this be done, our objectives become confused, that is to say, that in addition to the making of a good nurse, we are committed to the making of one under conditions imposed by standards of degree work. Some of those who have laboured with this problem hold that the first task constitutes a challenge of sufficient proportions without confusing the issue by an introduction of that which must be considered to be of secondary importance. We should adhere to the task of making a good nurse

through the use of that which the university offers rather than through permitting the university to determine what that content shall be.

We claim then that under certain conditions there is justification for university relationship in nursing education. What is the role of the university nursing school? What is the scope of work which may be legitimately assumed by it? At once let me point out what has been implied already: the university school should be counted upon to give leadership in nursing education in either graduate or undergraduate training or in both. Since the former is older and, because of that, better understood, we glance at its possibilities for a moment or two. The university school has a clearly defined responsibility to fulfil in offering to nurses qualified to give leadership in hospital nursing schools such work as will fit them for teaching, supervisory and administrative posts. The product of the hospital school will never be better than the abilities and ideals of those charged with the instruction and supervision of their students and with the administration and conduct of these schools. The time has come in the nursing field when it is apparent that, if nursing is to be well done, there must be added to a good quality of applicant the right type of teaching. In discharging that responsibility alone the university school assumes a role of considerable proportions.

Look for a moment now, at the group of community workers who, within a comparatively brief space of time, have been called upon to assume the function of community health teachers. They have gone into the homes, the schools and the child health centres in many countries to attempt to persuade individuals of the value of prevention and, having convinced them of that value, have taught through constructive methods how actually to practise a healthful way of life. My reference, of course, is to the public health nurse. Surely the university school has some responsibility toward her preparation. But how? For many years now, in as many university departments and schools, a year of special training in health nursing has been added to the basic preparation received in hospital schools. Some of those who have watched this form of preparation closely over a period of years have recognized that it was good, but that, weighed in the balance, it was found wanting in certain respects. It has been found, for instance, that much of the teaching given in the year of postgraduate work should have formed part of the basic training. And this in both content and emphasis. Some of the services necessary to the adequate performance of public health nursing were not included at all in the basic training in most instances, and as for health emphasis, it was found that, whereas it came in the fourth year, under this method, it should have been integrated throughout the entire preparation if a genuine belief in preventive and constructive health work were to be inculcated in the nurse. However, that is another story which will be dealt with as we proceed. Just now, let us take for granted that one of the functions of a university school of nursing is to fit the graduate of the recognized hospital school for staff posts in both hospital and health nursing.

There is another role which has been assumed by some university schools, namely, the giving of advanced work in public health nursing to experienced students who have previous training and experience in the health field. This has been offered in the administration and supervision of health work as well as in such specialties as child hygiene. mental hygiene, tuberculosis work and hospital

social work. There is reason for the conviction that, as health nursing develops, and with that a corresponding demand for qualified persons to fill advanced posts, this type of preparation will fill a considerable place in the life of the university nursing school.

In passing let me mention still another way in which the university school may be of material assistance to the graduate already in the field who wishes to keep abreast of rapid development in medical science and in its application to nursing. I refer to the refresher or extension course. This may be planned for a whole week, or for part of one, in a general topic such as medical nursing, surgical nursing, child hygiene, industrial nursing, hospital social work, tuberculosis work and mental hygiene. Recently, in one school a brief course on the integration of health teaching in the undergraduate curriculum was given with very good results. Thus the university school may give leadership in nursing education through preliminary, advanced, refresher and extension courses.

I wish now to discuss very briefly indeed, the possibilities of undergraduate preparation in a university nursing school. A moment or two ago we spoke of the method of preparation for public health nursing which has been more or less generally adopted, that is through adding a year of special work to the basic training of the hospital school. In many respects the worker thus prepared was and is a good public health nurse, and yet it has been of consuming interest in certain university schools to attempt to develop a more consistent and thorough preparation for the public health field and this in terms of both content and duration. In respect of content, it was though highly desirable to find a preparation which would include necessary services such as children's nursing, acute communicable disease nursing, tuberculosis nursing and psychiatric nursing, and withal to find a method of introducing the health point of view early in training and with consistent emphasis to develop it throughout. In other words, to secure a nurse thoroughly imbued with the value and desirability of preventive nursing. Further it has been possible, under controlled conditions, to add these special services to basic preparation in medical, surgical and obstetrical nursing and to do it in little more than three years. Surely this is a legitimate interest of a university nursing school in that it fulfils the role of research which is one of the major functions of any university.

Both those interested in an improved preparation for public health nursing have not confined their objectives to the content and duration of the undergraduate course. They have felt from the outset that there is an even broader responsibility, that of producing a nurse with a sound philosophy of life as well as of her profession. Too long the thinking and interests of nurses have been confined to their own limited sphere—and often necessarily so under conditions imposed in the hospital school. The many cultural influences of university environment together with shorter hours of ward duty, have contributed to the development of what promises to be a richer, better-rounded training in terms of life itself.

To attempt to determine the cost of a nursing school when divorced from responsibility for the nursing care of the hospital is still a further objective. It is commonplace in the thinking of those concerned with nursing education that conflict between responsibility for the nursing care of the patient and for the education of the nurse creates a situation which is often well-nigh untenable. In a university school, the ward prac-

tice of which is obtained through affiliation, and void of responsibility to the hospital for nursing care, it is possible to sort out the costs and to learn the monetary expense of a nursing training. For under these conditions the student pays, just as do students in preparation for other professional work. The content selected is that which is believed to be the minimum necessary to the making of a good nurse and teachers of such a school perform only those duties inherent in that function. As in all pioneer work there are difficulties in adjustment and in relationships but given patience and magnanimity these need not prove insurmountable.

There are certain aspects of this research work in undergraduate training which are worthy of mention for in them are reflected the application of sound educational principles. Time permits the mention of but two—the quality of the student and the quality of the teaching staff. In any creditable educational endeavour the two factors which must remain constant are, on the one hand, the receptive interested student and on the other the thought-provoking inspirational instructor. A well-nigh indispensable ally in the moulding of the young person fitted to serve her generation in nursing is a home training which has inculcated in her a sense of life's true values (of its spiritual significance) and resultant upon that an impelling desire to be helpful to her fellows through the medium of her choice. These qualities with intelligence, a good personality, and an adequate secondary education should afford the essential prerequisites.

As for the teacher, obviously as a background for success there must be training and experience through virtue of which she has a right to teach a given subject. That pre-supposed—the atmosphere of university life contributes to her growth in that it gives her time for reflective thinking (provoked by reading and discussion) which assists her to develop a scientific attitude manifest in discriminating judgment, quick to perceive truth and to detect error. Idealism too, is a fine quality if it be tempered with sufficient tolerance to permit her to adjust without irritation to practical situations. In a word, if the student is to be moulded aright, it must be done largely through those whose vigour of intellect and strength of character create an attitude and spirit which stimulate her to reach out for what is best of her own volition. Under no other conditions can desirable results be obtained in any field of education.

In a relationship comparatively new and untried, it would be preposterous to attempt to predict with certainty what the future may hold. There are apparent, however, to those closely associated with this work, two patent needs. There is an unquestioned need for leadership in nursing education which it appears the university school may be best equipped to give. None will question this leadership applied to preparation of graduates of hospital schools of nursing for hospital staff posts and for public health nursing. That need is both insistent and accepted. It would seem moreover that there is general benefit to be gained through research in improved undergraduate training particularly in preparation for public health nursing since through experiment, methods may be found which will prove advantageous to hospital schools of nursing. That is the general hope of at least some of those engaged in the work of university nursing schools; impelled by a feeling of indebtedness to the hospital school they own a responsibility for passing on to them the findings of research. A third apparent contribution to the university school is help given

through the brief refresher course to the graduate nurse in the field by means of which she becomes posted regarding changing practices in her specialty. It does seem that this may be done best by a school with university relationships. All of this is conceded with at least one proviso (discussed earlier in this paper) namely, that the principle of using the facilities of the university in the furtherance of nursing education be adhered to, rather than that the university should be permitted to use us.

The mention of one further need and I conclude. Those engaged in this work of ploughing new furrows and of planting new seeds need in a marked degree the conscious support of the nursing profession. The attitude of the profession as a whole should be one of manifest interest in work which is not only new and often bewildering, but which may be even precarious. We have not yet come to the place where we can take for granted the survival of this work in the many forms in which it has been started. Indeed it may not survive unless unreserved and perhaps tangible support be given. Those who have had sufficient faith and determination to give their best for the sound establishment of this aspect of nursing education are resolute in the belief that there is that which savours of truth in their various endeavours, and that which is of truth will endure.

THE McGILL SCHOOL FOR GRADUATE NURSES

The many friends of the McGill School for Graduate Nurses will rejoice to know that, after due deliberation, the University authorities, as a result of the report of the committee appointed last year, have recommended that the School be continued as an integral part of the University programme. The Board of Governors gave definite assurance that the School has the full support of the University and the personal interest of the Governors. Practical evidence of this interest and support is shown in the decision to aid the School in balancing its budget during the next five years.

With this reassuring support, which gives the necessary stability to the School, the Alumnae Association is going forward with plans for raising a permanent endowment fund. The subscription list has been opened by a gift of ten thousand dollars from the Alumnae Association itself. The faith of the nurses of Canada, particularly the graduates of the School, materially represented by the raising of approximately $30,000.00 during the past five years in support of the School, has been a strong factor in influencing the decision of the University.

The School owes a great debt of gratitude to Miss E. Frances Upton, chairman of the special finance committee, and Miss Blanche Herman, president of the Alumnae Association and secretary-treasurer of the special finance committee, for their untiring and determined efforts on behalf of the School. They have willingly consented to remain in office to direct activities in connection with the Endowment Fund.

A change in the name of the School was recommended by the University, and it will be known in future as the School of Nursing, McGill University.

Marion Lindeburgh.

THE EDITOR'S DESK

Warning ! ! !

Once more we implore our readers to heed the repeated warnings given them concernings fraudulent agents. Another of these despicable gentry has recently been active in some of the French hospitals of the Province of Quebec. He is described by one of his victims as being about 5 feet 8 inches in height, very thin, dark eyes, and about 24 years old. He represented himself as coming from Nova Scotia and spoke only in English. He had no "credentials" of any kind, and though he did not even possess a copy of the *Journal*, he offered a "special reduced rate" of five dollars to cover a three-years subscription. We repeat that the *Journal* employs no paid "representatives" either male or female. If you are approached by anyone not personally known to you who claims to be soliciting subscriptions on our behalf, please notify the *Journal* at once and *under no circumstances make any payment whatever.*

Reader's Guide

At the forthcoming Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association, a discussion will take place concerning the nature and functions of university schools of nursing. The leading article in this issue is the text of a clear and scholarly address, prepared by Miss Florence H. M. Emory and presented before the International Congress of Nurses. A careful study of it will help to remove existing misconceptions and will afford an excellent preparation for intelligent debate. △ Unforeseen changes in the editorial page made it necessary to omit mention of the sincere and moving verses which appeared in the May issue of the *Journal*, entitled "A Blind Man's Prayer". These were written by Miss Marion Moodie, the first graduate of the School of Nursing of the Calgary General Hospital, Calgary, Alta.

Three Cities

In this issue you will find lively and interesting accounts of the annual meetings of the Provincial Association of Registered Nurses in British Columbia, Ontario, and Saskatchewan. The three cities, in which these meetings were held, present a striking contrast so far as landscape is concerned. Victoria, lovely and serene beside the sea, Kingston on the banks of the stately St. Lawrence, Moose Jaw in the heart of the prairie, which misguided folk sometimes call lonely and bleak.

In Victoria, the rhododendrons were in their glory, in Kingston the fruit trees were in bud, but not until you have watched a sea of golden wheat with a summer breeze rippling over it can you say that you know the Canadian scene. The prairies will once more whiten unto the harvest.

A Correction

Miss Marion Haliburton wishes to correct a statement made in the June issue of the *Journal* in her article, entitled "Presenting Halifax", to the effect that the Halifax Infirmary is the only hospital in Nova Scotia in which the eight-hour day is in force. While the Infirmary is the only hospital in Halifax which has the eight-hour day, there are five hospitals in the Province of Nova Scotia which enjoy a similar distinction.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ANNUAL MEETING

The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia was held at Victoria on April 22 and 23, with the president, Miss Grace M. Fairley presiding at all sessions. The invocation was given by the Rev. Albert E. G. Hendy. Miss K. Sanderson paid a tribute to the late Miss Elizabeth G. Breeze, whose death had occurred a few days previously.

In her presidential address, Miss Fairley spoke of the intensive study given to the proposed Curriculum, and to the plan for Dominion Registration. She also expressed the desire of the Association to be of greater professional value to nurses in isolated districts. In order to stimulate interest among nurses in these remote areas, the sum of $500.00 was voted to finance an educational tour of the Province by a member of the Association who will thus keep them in touch with present day trends.

The registrar, Miss Helen Randal, reported 351 registrations, including new graduates and nurses from other provinces, bringing the total of nurses registered in British Columbia to 2237. She also reported that letters were sent by the Association to hospitals throughout the Province, recommending that the eight-hour day and forty-eight hour week for institutional nurses be put into effect. A few have adopted this recommendation and found that it works out in a satisfactory manner.

In giving the report of the public health section, Miss Margaret Kerr spoke of the phenomenal increase in the number of public health nurses employed in the Province, there now being 162 nurses in this branch of work. During the year a committee of the public health section studied the Curriculum and submitted a report to the provincial curriculum committee. Ten study groups prepared papers on various topics which were presented at a dinner meeting in January. At another session of the annual meeting a panel discussion was held on pertinent recommendations arising from some of these papers. As a result it was decided that a committee be formed to further enquire into facilities for clinical observation and experience in hospitals which might be made available to public health nurses. Miss M. Teulon presented the report of the private duty section. This section has met with much success in organizing study groups and sponsoring lectures by doctors who are specialists in their respective fields. At the sectional meeting, plans were formulated for giving demonstrations to private duty nurses of new apparatus used in certain types of cases. The question of supervision of private duty nurses was also discussed.

Miss A. Cavers, chairman of the nursing education section, reported that much effort had been expended upon a study of the Curriculum, and a comprehensive report was given. Miss Fairley, in giving the report on training school inspection, stated that there are now seven training schools in British Columbia, two having been closed this year. Miss M. Duffield's report of the finance committee showed the Association to be in a satisfactory financial condition. Six delegates were appointed to attend the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association, these being Miss Grace M. Fairley, Miss A. S. Cavers, Miss E. J. Herbert, Miss M. E. Kerr, Miss Helen Randal, and Sister Mary Beatrice.

Miss Fairley presented the report of the Joint Committee for Enrolment of Nurses for war or emergency service, and voiced the regret that ony 14% of the nurses in the Province have enrolled, a number considerably below the quota for British Columbia. Miss Kathleen Sanderson in giving the report of the Florence Nightingale Memorial Fund Committee, reported a total of $2168.00 contributed by the Province during the past five years.

A report on the proposed Community Nursing Service Bureau was presented by Miss Mabel Gray, in which she outlined a plan to include all types of nursing service, both graduate and undergraduate, under one registry and under supervision, in order to meet the nursing needs of the community. Much discussion followed, and consideration of a financial report of the undertaking, which may be tried out in Vancouver, was postponed until the November

meeting. A comprehensive report on Dominion Registration was read by Miss Florence Walker, which indicated a careful study by the Committe of all phases of this question.

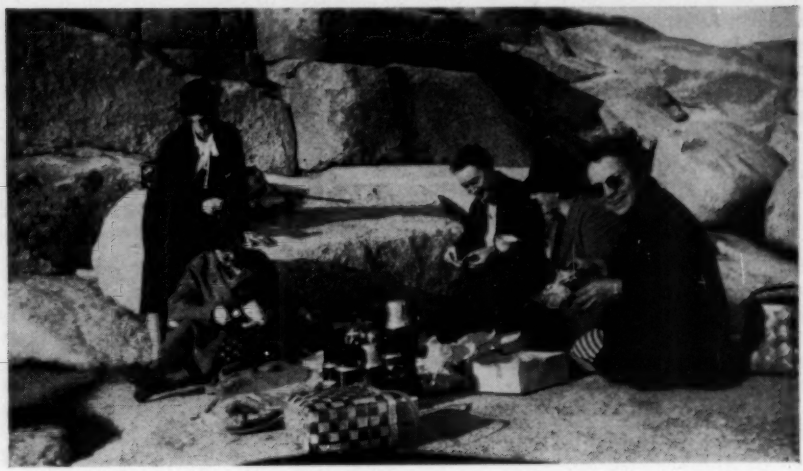
On Friday evening a special feature was an address by Dr. G. F. Strong on new developments in medical nursing service, in which the main emphasis was upon nursing care of acute heart disease. On Saturday afternoon a well planned symposium on nursing aspects of peptic ulcer was presented by Miss Hazel Keeler, Miss Alison Reid, Miss Kathleen Heaney and Miss G. S. Thomas. Much care and thought was evidenced in the vivid presentation of the subject, which proved to be one of the high-lights of the convention. The sessions closed on Saturday evening with a banquet, followed by a travelogue by Mr. H. J. Pendray, illustrated by motion pictures in colour. Much of the success of the meeting was due to the painstaking efforts of the programme committee, convened by Miss E. J. Herbert of Victoria. An added attraction was the beautiful sunshine which makes springtime in Victoria so pleasant.

Florence Innes

CANADA'S "INTERNATIONAL"

An official announcement was made in the May issue of the *Journal* concerning the award of the Canadian Nurses Association scholarship to Bianca Mary Beyer. This scholarship enables its fortunate recipient to follow, for the period of one year, the International Nursing Courses offered in London under the auspices of the Nightingale International Foundation. Miss Beyer has chosen the course arranged for nurse administrators and teachers in schools of nursing. Her academic preparation includes a year of college work at the University of Toronto and she graduated from the School of Nursing of the Toronto General Hospital in 1927. For six years she served as head nurse in the operating room of that hospital, where at present she holds the position of surgical supervisor. She is a member of her Alumnae Association and also of the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario. Her favorite sports are motoring, tennis and badminton. By a happy coincidence, Miss Beyer received the news of the award on her birthday and she may confidently look forward to a year which will be filled with new and vivid experiences.

Bianca M. Beyer



THE RIGHT CLOTHES!

Just in case you are interested, here is an open letter to "Mary Jane" from "Cora Lou" (who lives in Halifax) and is therefore an authority on what those smart Haligonians will be wearing:

Dear Mary Jane:

I am so glad to hear you are coming to the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association in July! We have ordered the finest weather and happy days for everyone! You ask what you will need in the line of clothes down by the sea in July. Well, the weather should be good at that particular time though, mark you, I give no absolute guarantee against fickleness. By *good*, I mean warm sunny days and soft cool nights. The sort of day one wears summery clothes, a light coat in the evening, especially on or by the water, and pulls up a blanket at night. If you have a knitted suit by all means bring it along and if not, this being a land of knitted suits, you could get a smart one here. You may not really need it, but then again you might.

Nova Scotia is a very temperate climate. The thermometer goes neither as high in summer nor as low in winter as in Montreal, or Winnipeg, or Toronto, so that what a Nova Scotian calls hot may be quite refreshing or even coolish to you. If you look at a map this may seem strange, for actually Nova Scotia is one of the most southerly parts of the Dominion. But remember, it is almost an island and is constantly fanned by cool sea breezes. Someone has called it an "air-conditioned" province.

Did you say rain and fog? Well, of course, that is why the grass and trees are so green and luscious and the flowers so fresh every morning. Something like England in that respect. But by July there should be little of either. By the way, bring your sun glasses, you will need them by the water on sparkling days. Also be sure to have a pair of comfortable sport shoes, preferably with rubber soles. They are useful for climbing around the rocks and other seaside activities. Bring your bathing suit, by all means!

We are sure to have Alumnae Association reunions. Miss Strum is busy already getting possible places lined up. Won't it be good to get some of the old crowd together again? Meanwhile, here's to "Halifax, July, 1938".

Cora Lou

S. R. N. A. ANNUAL MEETING

The twenty-first annual convention of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association was held in Moose Jaw on April 21 and 22 at the Grant Hall Hotel. Nothing was overlooked by the local committee on arrangements, of which Miss M. G. McPhedran, instructor of nurses at the Moose Jaw Hospital, was convener. The programme included the study of newer concepts and methods of teaching, including recommendations contained in the "Proposed Curriculum for Schools of Nursing in Canada". The revised plan on Dominion Registration was dealt with at a round table discussion conducted by Miss R. M. Simpson. A session was also given to the consideration of the re-organization of registries, when a representative from each centre gave a resumé of some local achievement. Another period was devoted to a consideration of nursing problems under the leadership of Miss Mary Ingham, director of nursing, Moose Jaw General Hospital. Nurses from many of the hospitals and other centres in the province contributed to the discussion.

According to the constitution of their Association, members of the Saskatchewan Catholic Graduate Nurses Association held their annual convention (at which Miss Diederichs presided) on the same two days and yet managed to take part in all proceedings. We were glad to welcome such a large representation from the Sisters' Hospitals, including Rev. Sister Mead, adviser to schools of nursing in the Prairie Provinces Conference of the Catholic Hospital Association.

Miss A. F. Lawrie's presidential address was both informative and inspirational. She emphasized the need to develop nursing education on a professional level and spoke with appreciation of the sympathetic attitude that the University of Saskatchewan continues to hold towards nursing ideals and aims. The activities of the Association were reviewed with reference to the work of the Adviser to Schools of Nursing, the study of the Proposed Curriculum, the plan for Dominion Registration, the stimulus given to local organizations to study registries with a view to broadening their functions as a community service. Special reference was made to the Community Nursing Service Bureau shortly to be established in Moose Jaw under the auspices of the Canadian Nurses Association and the Victorian Order of Nurses. Miss Lawrie quoted a principle agreed upon by the committee that studied this project, namely: *"It should be understood and emphasized that before any experiment in organization of this sort can be undertaken in any locality, the members of the organized nursing profession in that locality must be willing to endorse and to support any such experiment"*. She made an appeal to all nurses for their co-operation in furthering this and other efforts which the Association had undertaken in their names and interest.

The conveners of Sections and of special committees also gave good accounts of their work. In speaking for the Nursing Education Section, Miss E. Amas mentioned the refresher courses that were held in Saskatoon and Regina, and the study that has been made of the Proposed Curriculum throughout the year. Miss Helen Jolly, convener of the Private Duty Section, reported the study of some important items as suggested in the study plan sent out by the education committee of the Canadian Nurses Association, also interesting educational talks enjoyed by the sub-sections, including a discussion of Dale Carnegie's book "How to make friends and influence people". Private duty nurses in Saskatchewan are determined that if their influence prevails, the next *Survey* will not reveal a criticism of nurses' lack of tact. A victory was cited for the private duty nurses of Saskatoon in the establishment of the eight-hour day. For the Public Health Section, Miss Ann Morton told of studies being carried on through group organization throughout the province, and of the interchange of material. An effort had been made to obtain the consent of the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation to sponsor health talks for children and adults. This request, although not yet met, has at least been given a sympathetic hearing. Books have been purchased which will form a nucleus for a public health library.

A financially successful year for the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association was evidenced by the treasurer's report, which showed that in spite of all the additional obligations assumed, there was little change in the balance as compared with last year. She suggested that this pleasing situation was due in a large measure to the immigration regulations which require nurses entering the United States to be in good standing. Records show that many nurses have left Saskatchewan during the past year.

The special speakers included Mr. Murry of the Normal School, Moose Jaw, who brought words of encouragement to the superintendents of nurses when he foretold that by the scientific use of various tests and measurements, school authorities will be able to designate with assurance the various professions and vocations in which students are destined to succeed. Professor Laycock's address on the value of mental hygiene in the life of the nurse proved most stimulating. He stressed the value of the new psychological concepts in understanding human reactions and remedying defects and spoke of the important part that nurses must play in re-education and as "social engineers".

An innovation for Saskatchewan was seen in the exhibits so generously contributed by schools of nursing throughout the province and the school nurses of Regina. These were well introduced in a talk given by Miss I. King of the Providence Hospital, Moose Jaw. Without much expense, but not without effort, the display was most gratifying and varied. Another innovation was the demonstration of films as visual aids in teaching. Special interest was expressed in the one prepared by Rev. Sister Tougas, of the Regina Grey Nuns Hospital, on the functions of a central dressing room.

The nurses of Moose Jaw did not forget that all work and no play is not palatable even to nurses. The banquet presided over by Mrs. J. Droppo, president of the Moose Jaw Graduate Nurses Association, was held on the first evening, when an interesting address was given by Mr. N. R. Craig on the Far East. Musical selections were rendered by the student nurses of the Moose Jaw General Hospital under the direction of Dr. Powell—an extra curricular activity that prospers in at least one school in the province. The Moose Jaw Graduate Nurses Association entertained all members at an enjoyable luncheon. To summarize the meetings, in the terms used to describe them by several of the nurses: "They were snappy".

The officers elected for the coming year are: President, Miss Ann Morton, Weyburn; first vice-president, Rev. Sister O'Grady, St. Paul's Hospital, Saskatoon; second vice-president, Miss Edith Amas, Saskatoon City Hospital, Saskatoon; councillors: Miss Matilda Diederichs, Regina Grey Nuns Hospital, Regina; Miss Aubra Cleaver, Yorkton Queen Victoria Hospital, Yorkton; conveners of standing committee: Public Health, Miss D. Hopkins, Estevan; Private Duty, Miss Helen Jolly, Regina; Nursing Education, Miss M. Ingham, Moose Jaw.

While regretting the retirement of Miss Lawrie who for the past two years has sponsored many progressive movements, the members of the Association congratulate themselves upon the election of their new president, Miss Ann Morton. Miss Morton's long and valuable service in Saskatchewan and her many contacts give her vision and understanding of professional and community problems and interests that will stand her in good stead in guiding the destinies and interests of this Association. Let us not forget that, having asked them to accept responsibilities on our behalf, the officers and members of the Council need the active co-operation and personal effort of individual members if our Association is to grow in usefulness and to prosper.—

K.W.E.

The Time and the Place

By way of poetic description of the beauty of the Maritimes, the Reverend Mother Audet, superintendent of the Hotel Dieu Hospital, in Campbellton, N. B., has suggested that we quote these charming verses, entitled "God's Gallery", and written by Margaret Nickerson:

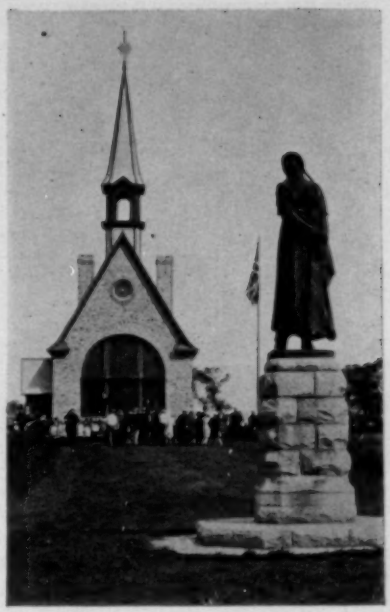
I've never studied works of art in countries far or near,
I've never seen a "Sargent" nor a "Whistler" nor "Landseer",
But I have seen sunrise in Cape Breton-by-the-Sea,
And I have seen a graceful deer, alive, alert and free.

I've seen the moonlight streaming across the Big Bras d'Or,
I've seen the breakers crashing on Louisburg's rocky shore,
I've seen a crimson sunset behind a crimson sea,
And the purple shadows lengthen along the Margaree.

I've never seen a temple nor a shrine in far Japan,
I've never seen cathedrals, nor mosques designed by man,
But I have bowed in reverence before Cape Smokey's dome,
And thanked the Great Creator for beauty so near home.

Miss Lenta G. Hall, superintendent of the Halifax district of the Victorian Order of Nurses, gives some excellent advice about profitable use of any spare time you may have after conscientiously attending *all* the sessions of the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association. Don't let her inveigle you into playing truant! Read these suggestions at your own risk:

If you have only one hour to spare: spend it by the waters of the "Arm". The privileges of the Waegwoltic Club will be extended to visiting nurses.



Evangeline Monument at Grand Pré
Courtesy Canadian National Railways

If you have one and a half hours to spare: drive around the Lakes. Not for five minutes do you lose sight of water—first the Bedford Basin and returning by the Dartmouth Lakes.

If you have two hours to spare: go to Prospect, and see a rugged fishing village, rocks and surf, maybe get a lobster, or stop off at Everleigh Beach for a swim.

If you have three hours to spare: drive to Chester: fifty miles of winding roads, by lakes and woodlands, and glorious coastal scenery. Don't fail to return by way of Blandford and have a swim at Bayswater where there are miles of white sand and breakers.

If you have a half day to spare: go to Peggy's Cove—you *can* do it in much less time for it is only thirty miles, but you won't want to leave the Rocks in a hurry. So take a picnic supper along.

By this time you'll be sure you must stay over an extra week!

ANNUAL MEETING IN ONTARIO

Miss E. Cryderman and Miss M. Fitzgerald

On April 20, 21, 22, 1938, the thirteenth annual meeting of the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario was held in Kingston, with a registration of 385. His Worship, Mayor Stewart, and Miss Mary F. Bliss, chairman of District 7, welcomed the delegates. The secretary-treasurer reported that office furnishings had been purchased. The financial statement showed a satisfactory balance on deposit at the end of 1937.

In the course of her presidential address, Miss Ethel Cryderman said that the activities of the Association during the past year, while not spectacular, had been sound. There had been a keenness of interest and an earnestness of purpose on the part of the District Associations that have been productive of progress. Much work of the Association is carried on by provincial and district committees, and many active committees exist to work toward the reorganization and the extension of community nursing services.

The banquet held on the first evening of the meeting was a delightful occasion. It was keenly regretted that because the annual meeting of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses Association was being held at this time, it was not possible for Miss Ruby Simpson, President of the Canadian Nurses Association, to be with us. At the request of Miss Simpson, Miss Ethel Johns extended greetings on her behalf. Dr. Frederick Etherington, Dean of Medicine, Queen's University, extended greetings from the University and from the Faculty of Medicine in Kingston. Professor James Roy of Queen's University gave a most interesting and delightful talk on "James Matthew Barrie".

One of the most important features of the meeting was the report of the National Committee on Dominion Registration for Nurses, presented by Miss Mary Millman as the representative to the National Committee and also as chairman of the Provincial Committee. The chairman of the National Committee, as well as several of the members of the Committee were present and assisted in the explanation of certain points. Each recommendation was presented and voted on, and the large number of delegates who were present at this meeting entered freely into the discussion. As the principle of Dominion Registration for Nurses in Canada had been endorsed at a previous general meeting, the recommendations contained in the report, with certain amendments, were endorsed.

On Friday morning an excellent symposium entitled "The Care of Poliomyelitis Patients" was presented under the following captions: "The Surgeon": Dr. George W. Armstrong, Ottawa; "The Nurse": Miss Jean Masten, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto; "The Community": Miss Gretta Ross, the Ontario Society for Crippled Children, Toronto. This general session, chaired by Miss Mildred I. Walker, was held under the auspices of the three sections.

At the business meeting of the Nurse Education Section, Miss Elizabeth Smellie, Chief Superintendent of the Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, spoke on "Undergraduate Affiliations". Miss Ethel Johns, editor of *The Canadian Nurse*, also took part in the programme, giving a discussion on newspaper publicity in relation to nursing entitled "Nurses in the News".

Miss A. M. Munn, Director of Nurse Registration, Department of Health, spoke on "Significant Trends in the Training Schools for Nurses in Ontario" and brought many points of interest to the attention of

the delegates. Many items of activity were given in the reports from the standing and special committees. A few will here be mentioned:

Membership: In Ontario, membership in the Provincial Association is voluntary. The fact that more nurses are coming to realize their individual responsibility in supporting their professional organization is evidenced by the steady increase in membership. A membership of 3,694, as compared with that in 1937 showed an increase of 780. There have been 854 applications for membership received in 1938 prior to this general meeting.

Legislation: The special work of the legislation committee was the proposed amendments to the constitution and by-laws. The committee also reported an amendment to the Nurses Registration Act which prohibits the establishing of training schools for nurses without the approval of the Minister of Health.

Permanent Education Fund Administrative Committee: According to the policy adopted at the general meeting in 1936, loans from this Fund would only be given to nurses who held membership in the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario prior to January 1, 1936. The meeting adopted a resolution whereby any nurse who is a member of the Association might be given a loan. *The Trust Fund Committee* reported that two loans had been made.

Florence Nightingale Memorial Fund: The Committee reported that $1,014.86 had been contributed during the past year, and during the five-year period, the total contributions from Ontario amounted to $3,535.26. The Committee on Health Insurance is on the alert to secure the inclusion of nursing in any health insurance scheme which may develop. The Committee to *"Study the question that all who nurse the sick for hire"* is continuing to study this important question, but as yet have no definite plan to offer.

The Provincial Joint Committee, National Enrolment of Nurses for Emergency Service, reported that there are 463 nurses enrolled for this service, an increase of 101 over last year, but still below the objective of 725. Plans approved by the board of directors and the director of the Ontario Red Cross Society are under way whereby the enrolled nurses will be listed according to zones and the list will be filed with the secretary of the office of the Red Cross, as nearly as possible in the centre of the zone. One nurse on each list will be designated by the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario as the "key" person to be contacted immediately in emergency and she will have a duplicate list of the nurses enrolled in the zone.

The Committee appointed to study the establishment of Bureaux of Nursing, is still of the opinion that an experimental bureau, which would supply all types of nursing and housekeeping service, in any chosen community in Ontario, is an essentially progressive step for the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario to undertake. Enquiries have been received by the Private Duty Section, asking for information and help concerning the formation and reorganization of registries and a resolution was adopted whereby the Committee will be asked to provide such information.

The Committee on the Distribution of Nursing Service in 1937 were authorized to make a further survey relating to the non-hospitalized sick in three of the districts. A compilation of the study has been made, but there has not been time for any detailed analysis of the findings.

The Committee on Relationships between the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario and the Schools of Nursing of the Universities of Ontario was formed in 1937 to provide means by which the University Schools can keep the professional group informed concerning their activities, be advised of professional opinion and requirements, and receive professional allegiance and support. The trend of thought within the nursing profession which led to the development of University Schools was dealt with in the comprehensive report presented from this Committee.

The Nurse Education Section reported that four refresher courses had been given at the School of Nursing, University of Toronto. In order to obtain an idea of what

progress had been made throughout the province, in the study of the "Proposed Curriculum for Schools of Nursing in Canada", a study outline drawn up by Miss Lindeburgh was sent in January to approved training schools for nurses. The replies received were summarized and presented. *The Public Health Section reported* that, in addition to the refresher course given by the School of Nursing, University of Toronto on orthopaedic nursing, another was given by the University of Western Ontario. Two one-day refresher courses on poliomyelitis were held in London and Windsor. Employment conditions in public health nursing show improvement. *The Private Duty Section* reported that its main activity had been the continued study of the eight-hour day now in operation in seventeen centres throughout Ontario. The report stated that there is a marked increase in employment, that it provides more efficient service to the public, that it is meeting with favour from medical men, and is becoming more popular with the nurses.

Progress reports were presented by the Chairman from the nine District Associations. These all showed a keen interest in the work of the Association throughout the Province. Arrangements were made for 51 student nurses as representatives from 33 training schools to attend the meeting. Their appreciation of this opportunity, and of the kind hospitality extended to them in Kingston, was expressed to the Association by one of the students.

A well attended public meeting was held on Thursday evening when we were delighted to have as our guest speaker, Dr. Frederick F. Tisdall, chairman of the committee on nutrition, Canadian Medical Association; Director of Nutritional Research Laboratories, Hospital for Sick Children, and Department of Paediatrics, University of Toronto. Dr. Tisdall's address on "What to eat to be healthy" made those who heard him feel that with proper nutrition one could secure greater vigour and longer life. Had the speaker overheard a group of nurses give their orders for lunch on the following day, he might have thought that they were beginning to realize the value of a better balanced diet.

Many social functions were interspersed with business. The members of the Board of Directors were entertained at a dinner the evening before the opening of the general meetings. The delegates were guests on Thursday afternoon, either at the tea at the Kingston General Hospital or at the Hôtel Dieu Hospital. Through the kindness of the Kinsmen Club, a drive around this delightful historic city was arranged, followed by a tea given by the Alumnae Association of the Kingston General Hospital. The senior nurses of the Kingston General Hospital entertained the visiting student nurses at a luncheon.

There were many interesting exhibits among those listed as professional and educational. May we specially mention the "Nurses" Registry—past, present and future", as prepared by Miss Madalene Baker. The exhibit prepared by the Sisters of the Hôtel Dieu Hospital, including a miniature hospital and nurses, was of great interest. One of the high-lights of the convention was *The Canadian Nurse* booth and talkies. This was the work of a committee in District 5, and "Jane and Mary" attracted large crowds whenever they appeared in "On and Off Duty". The commercial exhibits presented a very attractive appearance and were much appreciated by the delegates. Some of the firms have attended the Annual Meetings of the Association for some few years. This year we were pleased to welcome two new firms. The Registered Nurses Association of Ontario greatly appreciated the co-operation of these firms in assisting to make their meeting in 1938 a successful one.

The officers appointed for 1938-39 are: President, Miss Constance Brewster, Hamilton; first vice-president, Miss Jean L. Church, Ottawa; second vice-president, Miss Mildred I. Walker, London; secretary-treasurer, Miss Matilda E. Fitzgerald, 3 Willcocks Street, Toronto.

Matilda E. Fitzgerald

THE R.N.A.O. FORGES AHEAD

By way of commenting upon Miss Fitzgerald's excellent description of a lively meeting we would like to say that we thoroughly enjoyed it ourselves. The R. N. A. O. is growing rapidly in numbers, in prestige and in influence and, under the extremely capable leadership of the retiring president, Miss Ethel Cryderman, the past two years have been full of real achievement. Miss Fitzgerald forgot to mention that at this meeting, the Association again gave high praise to the efficient service given by its executive secretary.

We confess that we spent a lot of time hanging around *The Canadian Nurse* booth, watching successive audiences enjoy the talking puppet show. This theatrical event is booked for "the big-time circuit" at the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association in Halifax so we are not going into details about it here. We would like to say however that this amusing and ingenious production was written, produced, directed and PAID FOR by District 5, R. N. A. O. Among the many nurses who helped were Miss Cory M. Taylor, convener of the special committee, Miss Irene Weirs, Miss Esther Strachan, Miss Dorothy M. Percy, Miss E. Cale, Miss Ethel Greenwood, Miss Winter and others. The *Journal* has received excellent support, in more ways than one, from the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario and we are glad to acknowledge our debt to those who have helped us.

OBITUARY

The death occurred on April 19, 1938, in Vancouver, British Columbia, of Elizabeth Gertrude Breeze. At the time of her death, Miss Breeze was the director of nursing service of the Metropolitan Health Committee of Greater Vancouver, and in the May issue of the *Journal* an article from her pen gave a vivid picture of the magnitude of this undertaking to which she herself had made such a notable contribution. Her great capacity for organization, coupled with unfailing tact and patience, made it possible to bring about difficult adjustments and to establish the harmonious working relationships which ensure an efficient nursing service.

Miss Breeze was a graduate of the School of Nursing of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto. In addition to other postgraduate study, she obtained the certificate in public health nursing granted by the University of California. In 1910 she initiated the school nursing service in Vancouver and, until her appointment to the Metropolitan Area, was its supervisor and chief nurse. She was actively associated with both national and provincial nursing organizations. A charter member of the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia, she also served as its president. Health education was another of her principal interests. In collaboration with J. Mace Andress, she wrote "Health Essentials for Canadian Schools" and served on the curriculum committee which rearranged high school studies in health education for the Province of British Columbia.

Honoured by the community, beloved and respected by her own staff, and mourned by her professional colleagues in every part of the Dominion, this good woman and fine nurse has entered into rest.

FLOOD —

The death occurred recently in Saint John, N. B., of Ida May Flood, a graduate of the School of Nursing of St. Joseph's Hospital, Saint John, N. B. Hardly had she entered upon her professional career when she was stricken with the long illness which caused her death. She is deeply mourned by her many friends.

MATHESON —

On April 22, 1938, the death occurred of Jean Matheson, a graduate of the School of Nursing of the Winnipeg General Hospital and one of the most outstanding military Nursing Sisters in the Dominion. Prior to the illness which led to her death, Miss Matheson held the position of Matron of the Shaughnessy Military Hospital in Vancouver, B. C. Her distinguished record of overseas service, from 1915 to 1919, was recognized by the award of the Mons Medal, the Victory Medal, the Royal Red Cross and the King George Jubilee Medal. But far more than these honours, she herself valued the respect and affection of the soldiers whom she served with such untiring devotion both at home and abroad. She was actively interested in the work of the Vancouver unit of the Overseas Nursing Sisters Association and from 1936 to 1937 served as its president. Prior to her military service, she held, successively, the positions of superintendent of nurses in the Royal Inland Hospital, Kamloops, in Tranquille Sanitorium and in the Queen Victoria Hospital, Revelstoke.

Any formal record of her professional accomplishment somehow fails to give a picture of the woman herself—the fine presence, the bright eyes, the swift smile. These were Jean Matheson as her friends knew her—simple, and true, and brave. It was the sacred privilege of the writer to be near her during the last battle of all. Even in the wind of death itself, her spirit burned with a clear unwavering flame. She died as she had lived—a gallant soldier. May the earth of Soldier's Field lie light above her.

SCRIBNER —

The death occurred suddenly on March 24, 1938, of Mrs. L. Gertrude Scribner. Mrs. Scribner was a graduate of the School of Nursing of the Buffalo Homeopathic Hospital, Buffalo, N. Y., and had resided in British Columbia for some years.

SMITH —

The death of Miss Bertha Sophia Clarke Smith, M.B.E., occurred on April 9, 1938. Her death closes a career of service which was recognized in the New Year honour list of 1934, when she was made a member of the Order of the British Empire "for distinguished service to the Empire in child welfare and social service." She took her professional training in St. Luke's Hospital, New York, and on her graduation engaged in private nursing for some years, several of which were spent in Europe. As matron of a group of Canadian nurses for overseas service at the beginning of the World War, she was assigned to St. John's Brigade Hospital at Etaples, where she remained from July, 1915, until the hospital was destroyed by bombing on May, 1918, at which time she was awarded the Order of Honorable Serving Sisters of the Order of St. John of Jerusalem for distinguished service. On her return to London, Miss Smith organized the Child Welfare Association. Under her guidance as supervisor of the Nursing Staff and director of the Association, she made this organization an outstanding success. A valued member of many organizations as well as a beloved leader in her own, Miss Smith was an officer of the London Unit of the Overseas Nursing Sisters Association of Canada and lent her interest and wise judgment to many worthy undertakings.

More softly than the dew is shed or cloud is floated overhead
"He giveth His beloved sleep"

Notes From the National Office

Contributed by JEAN S. WILSON,

Executive Secretary, The Canadian Nurses Association

Halifax, 1938

The following paragraphs give the final information concerning the Nineteenth General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association which is to be held in the Nova Scotian Hotel, Halifax, from July 4 to 9, 1938.

Church services are being arranged for those who will be in Halifax for Sunday evening.

Monday is reserved for meetings of the Executive Committee and special committees.

The first business session is scheduled for Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock.

An outline of the programme was published in the April number while numerous announcements have appeared in several previous issues of the *Journal*.

Representation

The official delegates at a General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association are appointed by the Provincial Associations. Each of these organisations is entitled to one voting delegate for each of its fifty members, with a maximum of ten delegates.

Voting

Official delegates vote on all questions which have been submitted previously to the Provincial Associations. On all other questions, where the policy of the Provincial Associations is not involved, all members in good standing may vote. Members should have with them their Provincial Membership Cards for identification. Credential cards, duly signed by the President and Secretary of a Provincial Association are issued for identification of the official delegates.

Registration Fee

The customary fee of one dollar will be required of all members when registering.

Fraternal Delegates

It is a great satisfaction to the Canadian Nurses Association that through the function of the National Joint Study Committee an attitude of pleasant co-operation and interest has been created between the Association, the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Hospital Council. Recognizing the growing responsibility of all three bodies for community nursing service, the Executive Committee of the Canadian Nurses Association invited the Canadian Medical Association and the Canadian Hospital Council to each appoint a representative to attend the 1938 General Meeting. The Canadian Nurses Association is desirous that these organizations may become further acquainted with the policies and problems of the Association. Dr. H. B. Atlee, of Halifax, will represent the Canadian Medical Association and Dr. S. R. D. Hewitt, of Saint John, the Canadian Hospital Council.

Nominations

The ticket of nomination for each General Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association is prepared from nominees proposed by the nine Provincial Associations of Registered Nurses. The names of the two highest nominees for each office are included on the nomination ticket. Members of the Association who have become nominees for election to office for the biennial period, 1938-1940, are:

For President: Miss Grace M. Fairley, Director and Principal of the School of Nursing, The Vancouver General Hospital, Vancouver, B. C.

For First Vice-President: (1) Miss Elizabeth L. Smellie, Chief Superintendent, The Victorian Order of Nurses for Canada, Ottawa, Ont.; (2) Miss Rae Chittick, Health Director, Provincial Normal School, Calgary, Alta.,

For Second Vice-President: (1) Miss Marion Lindeburgh, Acting Director, School for Graduate Nurses, McGill University, Montreal, Que., (2) Miss Marion F. Haliburton, School Nurse, Halifax, N. S., (3) Miss Fanny Munroe, Superintendent of Nurses, Royal Alexandra Hospital, Edmonton, Alta.,

For Honorary Secretary: (1) Miss Kathleen I. Sanderson, Vancouver, B. C., (2) Miss Huilota Dykeman, Director of Public Health Nursing, Province of New Brunswick, Saint John, N. B., (3) Miss Agnes J. MacLeod, Director of the School of Nursing, University of Alberta, Edmonton, Alta.,

For Honorary Treasurer: (1) Miss Alena J. MacMaster, Superintendent, Moncton Hospital, Moncton, N. B., (2) Miss Kathleen W. Ellis, Registrar and School of Nursing Adviser for the Province of Saskatchewan, Regina, Sask.,

Overseas Nursing Sisters

The Overseas Nursing Sisters Association of Canada will hold their biennial meeting and luncheon on Wednesday, July 6, in Halifax. The Nova Scotian Branch of this Association will entertain the visiting members at high tea at the Ashburn Golf and Country Club, on Friday, July 8.

Information Bureau

The Arrangements Committee will have the Information Bureau in operation from 8 a.m. Monday, July 4. The Bureau will be centrally located in the Nova Scotian Hotel, adjacent to the Main Entrance. Those in charge of this Bureau will be prepared to supply all kinds of information, so do not hesitate to seek their help.

Professional Exhibits

Arrangements for the professional exhibits during the General Meeting are under the direction of the Registered Nurses Association of Nova Scotia, assisted by the Registered Nurses Associations of New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island. The exhibit will be on the convention floor of the Hotel. The plans of the nurses of the Maritime Provinces assure an exhibit of unusual interest and value.

EXHIBITORS AT THE BIENNIAL MEETING

A display of products by business firms has become an instructive and attractive part of each General Meeting. During the week in Halifax such displays will be located in the Rotunda and Ladies' Writing Room of the Nova Scotian. For many nurses, visits to these booths will renew contacts made during previous General Meetings. As this announcement was prepared on May 1, the following list of exhibitors is limited to those who made reservations before that date:

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MORE ABOUT SOUTH AFRICA

Announcement has already been made in previous issues of the *Journal* concerning Canadian nurses who have received appointments for service in Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town, South Africa. Miss Jean E. Browne, convener of the Committee on Exchange of Nurses appointed by the Canadian Nurses Association announces that Miss Jean Blackbourne, Miss Joyce Bricker and Miss Hazel M. Hay have also been accepted. Miss Blackbourne is a graduate of the School of Nursing of the University of Alberta Hospital, Edmonton; Miss Bricker is a graduate of the School of Nursing of St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria, and is now on the nursing staff of the West Coast General Hospital, Port Alberni; Miss Hay is a graduate of the School of Nursing of the Royal Victoria Hospital, Montreal, and is now a supervisor in the Royal Victoria Montreal Maternity Hospital. The appointment of these three nurses brings the total to twenty, all of whom have been most carefully selected.

The following extracts from a letter received by Miss Jean E. Browne from Miss Winnifred Perrin will be read with interest:

The trip to England was rough but we lost only two days, and considered ourselves good sailors. Even after we left England, the weather was quite cold, and we wore fur coats until we reached Madeira. I got a real thrill there. It is a completely new picture, extremely native. The boat anchored off the island, and we went ashore in small boats. The docks just swarmed with natives, mostly Italian. The streets are very narrow and are of cobblestone, tiny oval stones, very hard to walk on. The cars rattle along the streets, among pedestrians and funny little carts drawn by oxen or mules.

We took a drive about the island, going up the mountain. There is a very good view from there of the town and the sea. We stopped at several shops to see the girls doing Madeira linen work.

Mrs. Howard did not receive our cable until the morning we landed, but sent her secretary to meet us. We were also met by Mr. Gurney, the president of the Cape Town Rotary Club. He was very kind to us and I have made friends of his family. In fact it seems almost like home already. The situation of the Groote Schuur Hospital is beautiful. High up above the main town, we can overlook the town and the sea. The air is glorious although it is a windy spot. The "South-Easterlies" blow and blow. We have learned to go without hats, and wear hair nets instead. The building itself resembles the Dutch style of architecture. There are nurses here from all over the Union, from Australia, New Zealand, England, Scotland, Germany and Canada. We are enjoying it immensely. Already we are planning to visit Kruger National Park and other interesting spots during our vacation.

VICTORIAN ORDER OF NURSES

Admissions:

Miss Minnie Whitaker has been admitted to the Sudbury staff.

Transfers:

Miss Dorothy Clark has been transferred from the Border Cities staff to the position of nurse-in-charge of the Galt branch. Miss Mary Chepesiuk has been transferred from the Sudbury staff to the position of nurse-in-charge of the Cobalt branch. Miss Katherine Nattress has been transferred from the Toronto staff to take charge of the recently organized branch at Chatham, Ontario, opened on May 1.

Resignations:

Miss Rena Shipley has resigned as nurse-in-charge of the Galt branch.

NIGHTINGALE MEMORIAL FUND

Further contributions to the Florence Nightingale Memorial Fund have been received as follows:

British Columbia

St. Eugene School of Nursing, Cranbrook	$ 5.00
Nursing Staff, Mission Memorial Hospital	1.25
Nursing Staff, Vernon Jubilee Hospital	5.00
Graduate Nurses Association, New Westminster	25.00
A.A., St. Joseph's Hospital, Victoria	5.00
Nursing Staff, Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria	12.00
Student Nurses, Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria	20.00
Science Girls Club, Vancouver	15.00
Overseas Nurses Association, Vancouver.	10.00
Miss Meta Hodge, Victoria	1.00
Abbotsford-Matsqui Health Centre	4.00
Kamloops Graduate Nurses Association	15.00
Nursing Staff, Kimberley Public Hospital	10.00
Miss Rutherford, Salmon Arm	1.00
Nursing Staff, Tranquille Sanitorium	4.60
Graduate Nurses Association, Victoria	10.00
Graduate Nurses Association, Vancouver	20.00
A.A., Vancouver General Hospital	75.00

Manitoba

Staff, Freemason's Hospital, Morden	2.00
Sister Superior, Swan River Hospital	1.00
Student Nurses, Winnipeg General Hospital	5.00
Staff Nurses, Winnipeg General Hospital	20.00
Staff Nurses, Municipal Hospitals, Winnipeg	8.00
Student Nurses, St. Joseph's Hospital, Winnipeg	5.00
A.A., Grace Hospital, Winnipeg	10.00
Miss J. Kerr, Vita Hospital	1.00

Nova Scotia

Pictou County Branch, Registered Nurses Association of Nova Scotia	5.00
Staff Nurses, Children's Hospital, Halifax	9.90

Ontario

A.A., General Hospital, Brockville	10.00
Students and Staff, General Hospital, Brockville	12.00
A.A., Victoria Hospital, London	30.00
A.A., Hamilton General Hospital	25.00
A.A., Riverdale Hospital, Toronto	10.00
Community Health Association, Toronto	10.00

Quebec

Association des Gardes-Malades Graduées de l'Hôpital St. Joseph, Three Rivers	5.00
Student Nurses, Jeffrey Hale's Hospital, Quebec	10.00
Student Government Association, Montreal General Hospital	35.00
Student Government Association, Royal Victoria Hospital	50.00
Nursing Staff, St. Mary's Hospital, Montreal	10.00
School of Nursing, St. Luke's Hospital, Montreal	5.00
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NEWS NOTES

BRITISH COLUMBIA

VICTORIA:

A full account of the recent annual meeting of the Registered Nurses Association of British Columbia will be found elsewhere in this issue of the *Journal*.

VICTORIA:

The annual meeting of the Alumnae Association of the Royal Jubilee Hospital was held recently with an excellent attendance. The reports showed a successful year and augured well for the future. A life membership was presented to Mrs. G. Wilson, who has been a valued member for many years and is now confined to her home through ill health. Our membership numbers 123, an increase of 39 members since last year. Our 1937 Bursary of $100.00 was presented to Miss Elizabeth Copeland, class of 1936, who is now taking a post-graduate course at the University of British Columbia. In future the Bursary will be presented at the graduation exercises, Miss Mitchell having honoured us by including this award on the programme. Miss Elizabeth Braund, class of 1932, now taking a post-graduate course at the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, was chosen for the 1938 award. Officers for the ensuing year were elected as follows: president, Mrs. Russell; first vice-president, Miss Kirkendale; second vice-president, Mrs. G. M. Duncan; secretary, Miss V. Freeman; assistant secretary, Miss E. Rossiter; treasurer, Mrs. Dowell; social convener, Mrs. Daniels; sick nurses committee, Miss Newman; press reporter, Miss M. Dickson. A pleasant social hour followed the meeting. Plans were made for a flannel dance to be held in June at the Royal Victoria Yacht Club.

VICTORIA:

Miss Margaret Green, graduate of the Provincial Royal Jubilee Hospital, Victoria, has been accepted for staff duty at the Groote Schuur Hospital, Cape Town.

VANCOUVER:

A very successful refresher course for public health nurses was held recently in Vancouver under the auspices of the Provincial Board of Health and the Department of Nursing and Health of the University of British Columbia. The programme covered a wide field, including child welfare, conservation of sight and hearing, control of communicable diseases, endocrinology, and venereal disease control. The sessions closed with a dinner followed by a delightful address by Professor P. A. Boving on arts and crafts of Northern Europe.

The graduation exercises of St. Paul's Hospital, Vancouver, took place recently with forty nurses receiving diplomas.

VANCOUVER:

Married: Recently, Miss Margaret Isabel Orr (Vancouver General Hospital) to Dr. R. W. Boyd.

Married: Recently, Miss Laura Serena Finlayson (Huntington County Hospital, Huntington, Indiana) to Mr. Ernest Jones.

NELSON:

A meeting of the Nelson Graduate Nurses Association was held recently with thirty-five members present. Miss Sybil Keeler acted as a delegate to the annual meeting of the British Columbia Registered Nurses Association held in Victoria. The Kodascope, recently purchased by the Association, was donated to the Hospital to be used by the nursing and medical profession for educational purposes. Dr. L. E. Borden gave an interesting talk on his experiences during thirty-five years of private practise, following which a demonstration of the new Kodascope was given by Dr. Sparkes, medical health officer.

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BRANDON:

The Brandon Graduate Nurses Association held their annual dinner on May 3, the graduating class of the General Hospital being the honour guests. The president, Miss V. Vance, introduced the guest speaker, Miss Ruby Simpson, president of the Canadian Nurses Association, who addressed the graduating class with reference to the many channels through which a nurse may serve. Then turning to the graduates as a body she discussed the problems to be presented before the Canadian Nurses Associaton at the forthcoming Biennial Meeting, followed by a vivid description of the International Congress of Nurses. Miss E. McNally tendered a vote of thanks to Miss Simpson.

At the business meeting Miss E. Fotheringham brought in the secretary's report and Mrs. D. L. Johnson that of the treasurer. Mention was made of the classes in home nursing conducted for unemployed girls, and donations made to the Citizen's Welfare League. Officers were elected as follows: Honorary president, Miss Birtles, O. B. E.; honorary vice-president, Mrs. W. H. Shillingham; president, Miss V. Vance; first vice-president, Mrs. D. L. Johnson; second vice-president, Miss C. McIntee; secretary, Miss E. Fotheringham, 2211 Ros-

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NEW BRUNSWICK

SAINT JOHN:

The Saint John Local Chapter of the New Brunswick Association of Registered Nurses recently held a meeting with Miss Margaret Murdoch, the president, in the chair. Dr. K. A. Baird gave an interesting lecture on allergy.

The Alumnae Association of the Saint John General Hospital recently held its annual meeting with the retiring president, Mrs. F. M. McKelvey in the chair. The Alumnae Association will observe its fiftieth anniversary this year and plans were made to combine the jubilee celebration with its annual entertainment of the graduating class. The officers for the ensuing year are as follows: president, Mrs. A. L. Donovan; first vice-president, Miss Belle Howe; second vice-president, Miss Susanne Hartley; treasurer, Miss Rheta Wilson; secretary, Miss Mary Crossman. The additional members of the executive are: Miss Margaret Murdoch, Miss J. Hemphill, Mrs. George Brown, Miss F. Congdon, Mrs. Harvey Ellis and Miss B. Thomas. The members of the committees are as follows: entertainment, Mrs. F. Chase, Mrs. L. H. Burton and Miss Belle Howe; refreshments, Mrs. Leonard Dunlop and Miss Cecilia Gleeson.

Miss Regina Reid (St. J. G. H., 1933) has been appointed assistant superintendent of nurses at the Tuberculosis Hospital, East Saint John. Miss Reid succeeds Miss Marion McDonald, who was recently married.

Married: On April 5, 1938, Miss Marion Marie McDonald (St. J. G. H., 1932) to Dr. Basil Douglas B. Layton.

Married: On April 30, 1938, Miss Amy Louise Hatfield (St. J. G. H., 1933) to Mr. William Charles Purssell.

NOVA SCOTIA

WOLFVILLE:

The Valley Branch of the Registered Nurses Association of Nova Scotia met recently at Eastern Kings Memorial Hospital, Wolfville, the chief topic of discussion being Dominion Registration and health insurance for nurses. It was decided that the Valley

Branch should erect a welcome banner at Digby Pier to welcome nurses coming into the Province to attend the Biennial Meeting of the Canadian Nurses Association to be held in Halifax in July. Following the meeting a delightful lunch was served by Miss Bangston and her staff.

ONTARIO

District 1

London:

Miss Donna Leone Huffman has recently accepted an appointment as public health nurse in Burlington. Miss Huffman, a graduate of the St. Joseph's Hospital School for Nurses, London, received her B.Sc. degree from the University of Western Ontario in 1936. In Burlington, she succeeds Miss Phyllis McFarlane.

Districts 2 & 3

Guelph:

The Alumnae Association of St. Joseph's Hospital has elected the following officers for the ensuing year: Honorary president, Sister M. St. Basil; honorary vice-president, Sister M. Geraldine; president, Miss K. Bolger; secretary, Miss P. McComb; treasurer, Miss H. McGillivary; corresponding secretary, Miss G. Hope; convener of the programme committee, Miss D. Taylor. St. Joseph's Hospital was represented at the convention of the R. N. A. O. in Kingston by Sister M. Geraldine (nurse education), Miss K. Bolger, Miss G. Hope (private duty). Miss D. Gaettler and Miss E. Ranthier represented the student nurses.

District 5

Toronto:

The Alumnae Association of the Hospital for Sick Children reports the following appointments: Miss Edith Wilson (H.S.C., 1936) has been appointed assistant superintendent of the Protestant Children's Home in Ottawa. Miss Lucy Ashton (H.S.C., 1935) is now in charge of the Girls Medical Ward, H.S.C. Miss Aline Stacey (University Hospital, Edmonton, Alberta) has been appointed head nurse of the Boys Medical Ward, H.S.C.

Married: Recently, Miss Gwen Downs (H.S.C., 1932) to Mr. Tidy.

Married: Recently, Miss Adelaide Johnston (H.S.C., 1936) to Mr. Ronald Gilmour.

Toronto:

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District 7

KINGSTON:

The officers elected by District 7, Registered Nurses Association of Ontario, for the ensuing year are as follows: Chairman, Mss M. F. Bliss, Smiths Falls; first vice-chairman, Miss A. Baillie, Kingston; second vice-chairman, Miss Crawford, Kingston; secretary-treasurer, Miss Dorothy Bluhm, Box 612, Smiths Falls. The councillors are Miss O. M. Wilson, Kingston; Miss V. Manders, Perth; Miss G. Gore, Smiths Falls; Miss Logan, Brockville; Miss J. Guest, Kingston and Miss O. McDermott, Kingston. The conveners of sections are: nursing education, Miss L. D. Acton, Kingston; public health, Miss M. E. Ross, Kingston; private duty, Miss A. Church, Smiths Falls. The representative to *The Canadian Nurse* is Miss O. McDermott.

On the third Tuesday of each month, the Literary Club, composed of members of the graduate staff of the Ontario Hospital, Kingston, hold meetings, usually presided over by the librarian. News of the world is the topic of discussion one week, the following week is given to fiction. Miss Elizabeth Jenner (H.D.H., 1937) formerly a member of the nursing staff of the Ontario Hospital, Kingston, has been recently appointed assistant superintendent at Renfrew. Miss G. Bellyou (K.G.H., 1933), Miss Bragg (K.G.H., 1936), and Miss Irene Garvin (H.D.H., 1929) have been appointed to the staff of the Ontario Hospital, Kingston.

Married: Recently, Miss Genevieve Pelow (H.D.H., 1927) to Mr. H. McNeil.

Married: Recently, Miss Patricia Chattenden (St. Michael's Hospital, Toronto) to Mr. Leo Fowler.

District 8

OTTAWA:

Reverend Sister Alice de Marie, former Superior of the Ottawa General Hospital, has been appointed Mother Assistant in the General Council of the Grey Nuns of the

Cross at Ottawa. She has been replaced by Reverend Sister St. Tarsicius, former Superior of Youville Hospital at Noranda, P.Q. Rev. Sister Marie Alban, pharmacist at the Ottawa General Hospital, has been recently named Superior at Youville Hospital. Rev. Sister Gedeon of Ottawa has been appointed Superior at Saint Michael's Hospital, Buchingham, P. Q. Rev. Sister Marie Aramde is taking a post-graduate course in obstetrics at Saint Mary's Hospital, Brooklyn, N. Y. Miss V. Belier attended the refresher course recently given by the School of Nursing, McGill University, in connection with the application of the curriculum. Miss Estelle Desormeaux acted as the delegate of the O. G. H. Alumnae Association at the annual meeting of the R. N. A. O. in Kingston.

The student nurses of the University of Ottawa School of Nursing enthusiastically welcomed the Reverend Sister Tarsicius as the new Superior of the Ottawa General Hospital. Addresses of welcome were given both in English and in French. Piano solos and bilingual selections by the Glee Club were much appreciated. Two French plays brought out talent and told of future possibilities. The high-light of the evening was the dramatization of the "Wedding of the Painted Doll", which brought the house down and resulted in numerous encores. And thus, Sister Superior was welcomed among us. It was certainly a happy family gathering, and one long to be remembered.

OTTAWA:

Married: Recently, Mrs. Seybold (Mary Rachel O'Brien) (St. Luke's Hospital, 1915) to Mr. Angus S. Williams.

DISTRICT 10

PORT ARTHUR:

A meeting of District 10, R. N. A. O., was held at St Joseph's Hospital, Port Arthur, on May 5 with the chairman, Miss Vera Belluz, presiding Arrangements were made to entertain the graduating classes of McKellar Hospital, Fort William, St. Joseph's Hospital and the General Hospital, Port Arthur, at a social evening at the Nurses Home of the Fort William Sanatorium. A special meeting of the private duty nurses is being held to discuss eight-hour duty. The chairman submitted a report of the annual meeting of the Registered Nurses Association of Ontario, recently held at Kingston. A paper dealing with nursing care in poliomyelitis, prepared by Miss Jean I. Masten, was read by Miss Dorothy Claydon. A social hour followed.

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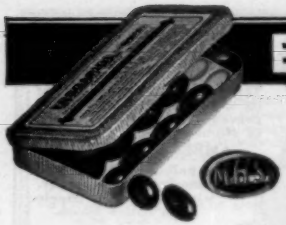

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Miss Jean MacKone (R. V. H., 1935) has resigned from the staff of the operating room and Miss Dorothy Sellars (R.V.H., 1931) who has been in the out-door department, replaces her. Miss Helene Lamont (R.V.H., 1938) has joined the staff of the out-door department. Miss Florence Jamieson (R.V.H., 1933) has resigned from the staff of the Alexandra Hospital.

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